## **REMARKS**

Claims 1 to 15 were pending in the present application.

The Applicant has amended the Specification to cross-reference related applications.

The Examiner objected to the drawings because Fig. 6 and Fig. 6A are not identified by the same number followed by a capital letter. Applicant has renumbered Fig. 6 and Fig. 6A as Fig. 6A and Fig. 6B, respectively. Note that Fig. 6A is a flowchart of a method and Fig. 6B illustrates the application of the method.

The Examiner objected to the Abstract because it does not describe the disclosure sufficiently to assist readers in deciding whether there is a need for consulting the full patent text for details.

Applicant has revised the Abstract to meet the requirements of MPEP § 608.01(b).

The Examiner imposed a restriction requirement as to group I consisting of claims 1 to 14, and group II consisting of claim 15. Applicant hereby elects group I consisting of claim 1 to 14 without traverse. Accordingly, Applicant has withdrawn claim 15. Applicant has not canceled claim 15 because claim 15 recites common elements with some of the remaining claims. Thus, if these remaining claims are found to be allowable, then claim 15 should also be allowable for at least the same reasons.

With this Response, Applicant has amended the drawings, the Specification, and withdrawn claim 15. Should the Examiner have any questions, please call the undersigned at (408) 382-0480.

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